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AUSTRIANS ON THE OFFENSIVE

Three Hundred Thousand
Engaged in Drive on
Italians

FIGHT IN MOUNTAINS

Italians Report That Many Bodies of
Enemies Have Been Swept Down
the Adige River.

Amsterdam, May 18.—Three hun-
dred thousand Austrian troops con-
centrated on a 35 mile front, are
striking against the Italian lines in
the Tyrolean Alps in the most de-
termined Austrian offensive against
Italy since the war began.

The official dispatches trans-
mitted from Vienna contain a hint as to
the exact nature of the operations.
Several Berlin military critics in-
timated today that the Austrians are
developing a great offensive, and are
bent on the invasion of Northern Italy.

The fighting is spreading east-
ward from the Adige river valley
across high Alpine peaks and rocky
plateaus. The Italians have been driv-
ing southward on a 5 mile front ex-
tending from Piazza to the upper
Astico valley. The Vienna war office
claims the capture of Zegnatorta,
south of Rovereto, though the Ital-
ian war office reports the repulse of
heavy Austrian attacks at this point.
Losses in the three days of severe
fighting have run well into the thou-
sands. The Italian official dispatches
report that many enemy bodies have
been swept down the swiftly flowing
Adige river.

The military critic of the Berlin
Morgenpost declares that the Aus-
trian victories apparently are of
more than local significance.

"For some time it was known that
heavier fighting was beginning along
the whole Italian front," said the
Berlin critic: "The entire front from
the Isonzo to Lake Garda has been
set in action."

"The Austrian attack in Tyrol has
apparently developed on a wide front
with the left wing in the Sugana val-
ley and the right wing in the Adige."

"Austrian troops have achieved
more in this one action than the Ital-
ians during the whole year, for at
no time have the Italians succeeded
in capturing Austrian positions on a
twenty-five mile front."

37,000 TURKS CAPTURED

Russians Also Take Vast Quantities
of Munition Sent From German
Factories

Petrograd, May 18.—More than 37-
000 Turkish troops have been cap-
tured by the advance forces of Grand
Duke Nicholas in Asia Minor during
the last three weeks. The Russians
have also captured vast quantities of
munitions which had been sent from
German factories and conveyed to the
Ottoman front by prodigious ef-
fort.

The war office announcements of
continued progress indicates that the
attempts of the combined Turco-Ger-
man forces in Asia Minor to stem the
Russian's march have completely
failed. The statement that Mosul is
being approached shows that an enor-
mous stride has been taken by the
grand duke since he surmounted the
mountains south of Bitlis.

On every hand the Russian troops
as they advance find evidence of
Turkish cruelty. The Ottoman sol-
diers are massacring all Christians.
Whole villages are left in flames as
the Turks fall back. The Russian sol-
diers are feeding thousands of refugees,
sharing their daily rations with starv-
ing women and children.

GAZETTE One Week 10c

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—MAY DANCE—
Benefit of
* Cardinal Athletic Club
* Odd fellows' Hall
* WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1916
* 8:30 p. m. Tickets 50 cents
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SOUTHERN BAPTISTS ELECT.

O. F. Gregory Chosen Secretary
of Convention.

Asheville, N. C., May 18.—The
Southern Baptist Convention, at the
opening session here yesterday of
its annual meeting, re-elected Dr.
Lansing Burrows, of Americus, Ga.,
president and heard numerous com-
mittee reports, including one from the
foreign mission board recommending
against any union with other denomi-
nations in mission work. O. F. Gregory,
of Baltimore, was re-elected
secretary of the convention and
George W. Norton, Louisville, Ky.,
was chosen treasurer and W. P.
Harvey, Harrodsburg, Ky., auditor.

A plan to have the Northern and
Southern Baptist conventions next
year held simultaneously and in the
same city gained considerable sup-
port today among the delegates.
Kansas City was urged as the logi-
cal place. The Northern convention
now is in session in Minneapolis.

KILLING OF MRS. CLARK

Coroners's Jury Returns Verdict
That Husband Committed Deed
"Premeditately."

Joseph Clark, who shot and killed
his wife, Mrs. Ellen Clark, on Tuesday
afternoon, was held to have com-
mitted the deed "premeditatedly" by a
coroner's jury which met at Wheat-
ley's undertaking establishment yester-
day afternoon.

The jury which had been summoned
by Dr. T. Marshall Jones, city cor-
oner, was composed of J. William May
foreman; Vance H. Peele, James L.
Foster, Norman Roberts, Joseph H.
Harris and James B. Martin.

During the inquest Clark, with a
policeman by his side, sat with his
head bowed and during a part of the
testimony sobbed aloud. He made no
statement.

The first witness was Mrs. Eliza
Clarken, who lives at 702 south Fair-
fax street, and in whose house the
tragedy occurred. She gave a clear
story of the events leading up to the
murder, stating that Mrs. Clark ar-
rived at her home at 10 o'clock in the
morning for a short visit. Her hus-
band came at 4 o'clock in the after-
noon and entered the dining room
where the witness, her 12 year old
daughter, Edith Dove, and Mrs. Clark
were seated. After conversing with
his wife for a few minutes on general
subjects and inquiring as to her con-
dition, Clark begged his wife to for-
give him for his past conduct and
asked her if she loved him. Mrs.
Clark answered in the affirmative,
the witness declared, adding, "If I
hadn't loved you I wouldn't have
married you, but there are some things
one might forgive but could never
forget." Clark jumped to his feet,
drawing a revolver and exclaimed
"This will settle all."

Mrs. Clarken was positive that
the first shot was fired at her as she
ran screaming from the room fol-
lowed by her daughter. There were
several other shots and Clark walked
out of the house reloading the re-
volver as he went.

Edith Dove testified to the same ef-
fect as her mother and Policeman
Power, who with Chief Goods and
Sergeant Roberts made the arrest,
testified that Clark when placed un-
der arrest, declared: "I am not crazy.
I ought to have done it long ago."

Chief Goods testified that when he
removed the wounded woman to the
hospital in an automobile she was
conscious but was suffering too much
to make a statement.

Dr. Walter A. Warfield, who was
at the hospital when the woman was
admitted, testified that one bullet had
passed entirely through her body and
three had lodged in her abdomen. Dr.
S. B. Moore operated and removed
the bullets.

Clark will be given a preliminary
hearing before Police Justice Caton
Saturday morning. He has retained
Attorney Robinson Moncre.

Buy your Dahlias and
bedding plants now. Call or
write for price list. In mar-
ket every Tuesday, Thurs-
day and Saturday. C. AL-
BERT SHAFFER, route 4
city.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST ALLIES

Said to Have Torpedoed
Ship Without Giving
Warning

PASSENGERS ABOARD

Several Women and Children on the
Ship—Austro Hungarian Note
Sent to Neutrals

Berlin, May 18.—According to the
Austro-Hungarian note sent to neu-
tral powers regarding the sinking of
the Austrian steamer Dubrovnik and
other Austrian vessels, including the
hospital ship Electra, by hostile sub-
marines, the Dubrovnik had 19 pas-
sengers on board, among them several
women and children, when she was
torpedoed. Three bodies of women
were recovered, and four members of
the crew and four passengers are
missing.

The Overseas News Agency, in its
summary of the Austrian note, sets
forth the details regarding the sink-
ing of the Dubrovnik as follows:

"A dispatch from Vienna states
that on May 9 at 10:30 a. m., the
Austro-Hungarian passenger steamer
Dubrovnik was destroyed in the Ad-
riatic by two torpedoes fired within
warning by an enemy submarine. The
first torpedo hit the starboard side
and the ship immediately began sink-
ing."

"All the persons on board rushed
to the lifeboats. Then a second torpedo
struck the ship, crushing the star-
board lifeboat with those in it. It
was possible to rescue 16 passengers
in a second boat. Two additional per-
sons were picked up from the water
and some were rescued by the boats
from the shore."

"On board the ship were 19 pas-
sengers, among whom were two cler-
gymen and several women and children.
Up to this time three bodies of wo-
men have been recovered. Four sail-
ors and four passengers are miss-
ing."

"The Stefani Agency on May 10,
stated that a French submarine tor-
pedoed the Dubrovnik, which was a
transport and carried ammunition.
This statement is a flat invention.
The capacity of the Dubrovnik was
480 tons and she therefore was not
able to carry troops nor ammunition.
Besides this, the distance of the sub-
merged submarine from her was so
great that it was impossible for it to
discern the class of persons carried
by the steamer."

"The Austro-Hungarian Govern-
ment states that the firing of the se-
cond torpedo against the sinking
steamer and the lifeboats which were
affloat must be qualified as 'intention-
al murder.' The Austro-Hungarian
Government holds the Italian Gov-
ernment equally responsible with the
French Government, since the French
submarine was operating with the
Italian forces."

The news agency summary, after
mentioning the allusions in the note
to the torpedoing of the hospital ship
Electra and attacks on the steamers
Daniel Erno and Zagreb, concludes:

"The Austro-Hungarian Govern-
ment most emphatically protests
against the criminal acts mentioned."

HOOKS FOUND IN BEEF.

Italians Suspect Chicago Workers of
Effort to Cause Death of
Soldiers.

Rome, May 18.—Orders have been
issued to the Italian Soldiers not to
eat American frozen beef and can-
ned meat unless it is shredded.

Recent consignments to Italy from
Chicago were found to contain small
hooks and prongs, which, it is sus-
pected, were purposely hidden in the
frozen beef and potted meat with the
object of disabling the soldiers, caus-
ing an ulceration of the intestines.

An investigation has been ordered
with a view to ascertaining the re-
sponsibility of the packers who, it is
feared, have Austrian and German
workmen in their employ.

CLASH AT RIGGS TRIAL

Counsel for Government and Bankers
Rebuked by Court When Near
First Cuffs

Washington May 18.—The trial of
Charles C. Glover, president, William
J. Flather, vice president, and Henry
K. Flather, former cashier, of the
Riggs National Bank dragged along
yesterday, but was enlivened by a
near set to between William C. Fitts,
assistant to the attorney general, who
is associated with District Attorney
Laskey, and Frank J. Hogan, of coun-
sel for the defense. Mr. Fitts and
Mr. Hogan, the latter being diminutive
in size, but rather pugnacious in
temperament, have become peeved at
each other several times during the
trial of the bankers for alleged per-
jury and today Mr. Hogan objected
to the admission of certain slips show-
ing transactions between officials of
the bank and the firm of Lewis, John-
son and Co.

"I don't want to be objecting," said
Mr. Hogan.

Mr. Fitts laughed at Mr. Hogan.
"That pleases Mr. Fitts," said Mr.
Hogan.

"If you will let Mr. Fitts alone,
you will get out of a whole lot of
trouble. If you don't quit it I am
going to make you do it."

Mr. Fitts had turned toward Mr.
Hogan and Mr. Hogan placed him-
self in an attitude of defense in a
Queensbury and said:

"I would like to see you do it."

"I will do it," said Mr. Fitts.
At this point Pat Carroll, the court
crier, called loudly for order and Jus-
tice Siddons, with some show of
anger, declared:

"The court is tired and disgusted
with these frequent comments and
allusions and hereafter if counsel on
either side has any objection to a
comment, or any other objection, it
should be urged to the court. The
court does not want to have to re-
peat this admonition."

HOLDS LADIES' NIGHT

First Celebration is Given by The
Holy Name Society of St.
Mary's Church.

Before an audience that filled the
Young Men's Sodality Lyceum Hall,
the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's
Catholic Church of this city, last
night held its first ladies' night cele-
bration. An elaborate musical and
literary program was given. Rev.
Michael Gallagher of Washington
made the principal address, speaking
on "The Merits of the Holy Name
Society." J. Hadley Doyle, vice
president of the Holy Name Society,
of Washington, also made a short
address on the merits of the society.

Francis H. Fannon, chairman of
the committee of arrangements, presided
and introduced the speakers.

During the evening selections were
given by the Holy Name Band. The
program follows: Recitations, Miss
Emma Hpbard; solo, James Nolan,
of Washington; with Miss Ella Hill,
as accompanist; recitations, Miss
Mary Quinn, Caesar
Aello, of Washington, with Miss Ella
Hill as accompanist; solo, M. E.
Greene, with Miss Janet Gronau as
accompanist. A feature of the pro-
gram was the recitation of "Padrew-
ski" by Miss Emma Hubbard. At the
conclusion of the program refresh-
ments were served.

The committee in charge was com-
posed of Francis H. Fannon, chair-
man; John A. Ewald, P. A. Kersey,
Claude M. Lennon, C. Raymond Hel-
muth, and Thomas E. Dyson.

POSSE AFTER MURDERERS.

Pursuing Two Mexicans Who Killed
Texas Rancher.

San Angelo, Texas, May 18.—A
posse is pursuing the two Mexicans
who on Tuesday killed Jarvis D.
Harp, a Crockett county rancher. The
horses taken from his ranch were
found some distance from his home.
It was said that Harp had quarreled
with the Mexicans when they stopped
at his ranch and that they then shot
him.

WILL GATHER IN WASHINGTON

Capital City Wins 1917 Re-
union By Close Vote
Yesterday

ANNUAL PARADE DAY

Wearers of Gray Desire to March
Down Avenue and Be Reviewed by
The President

Birmingham, Ala., May 18.—Wash-
ington won the honor of entertaining
the United Confederate Veterans in
1917 by a close vote at the closing
business session here last night. The
desire of the old Confederate soldiers
to parade down Pennsylvania avenue
and be reviewed by the President of
the United States led them to choose
Washington for the 1917 reunion city.
Tulsa Okla., and Memphis, Tenn.,
received the next highest votes in
the order named.

At the election of officers late in
the afternoon Gen. George P. Har-
rison, commander of the Alabama di-
vision of the United Confederate
Veterans, was selected commander-in-
chief of the veterans, succeeding Gen.
Bennett Young, of Louisville, Ky.,
who refused to permit his name to be
presented as a candidate for re-elec-
tion. Other officers named were:

Commander department of the
army of Tennessee, Gen. John Hick-
man, of Tennessee.

Commander trans-Mississippi de-
partment, Gen. K. M. Van Zant, of
Texas, re-elected.

Commander department army of
Virginia, Gen. John Brown of Vir-
ginia.

The recommendations of the resolu-
tions committee, with the exception
of one favoring a reduction in the
salary of the adjutant general from
\$1,800 to \$1,500 annually and another
favoring the consolidation of the vet-
erans and Sons of Veterans' organi-
zation were referred to the command-
ing general and the heads of the
three departments. The resolution for
the consolidation of the two organiza-
tions was adopted and a committee
composed of the general officers and
one representative from each division
was appointed to cooperate with a
similar committee from the Sons to
report at the next reunion.

The effort to reduce the adjutant
general's salary failed when it was
learned that the constitution leaves
that matter in the hands of the execu-
tive council and commander-in-chief.
New officers for the Sons of Vet-
erans were elected at the closing ses-
sion of that body today. They were:

Commander-in-chief, Ernest G.
Baldwin, Roanoke, Va.

Commander department army of
northern Virginia, Dr. J. Garrett
King, Fredericksburg, Va.

Commander, department army of
Tennessee, Thomas B. Hooker, Mem-
phis, Tenn.

Commander, army of trans Missis-
sippi, Merritt J. Glass, Tulsa, Okla.

LOCAL BREVITIES

In the corporation court today
Judge L. C. Barley granted a di-
vorce to Colin Clarke White from
his wife, Ethel H. White, on the
ground of desertion. The plaintiff was
represented by Attorney Louis N.
Duffey.

Fish—Fish—Fish—Fish Day to-
morrow: Roe shad, large melt shad,
steak stailbut, blue fish, sea bass,
salt water tailors, Jersey trout, San-
itary Fish Market, Stall No. 2, City
Market, Phone 735.

Mrs. Mary E. Timberman has sold
to David E. Bayliss and wife three
lots in the square bounded by Wash-
ington, Pendleton, Columbus and
Oronoco streets. Robert Elliott has
sold through John D. Normoyle,
real estate agent, to Charles Arring-
ton, a farm containing 26 acres near
Franconia, Fairfax county.

Large boiling rock, sea bass, Po-
tomac bass, butter fish, large and
medium salt water trout, halibut and
shad on sale by Geo. E. Price and
Co., City Market, Phone 321J.

GERMANS SOLDIERS ASK FOOD.

Haven't Had Meat For Weeks. They
Tell Swiss.

Geneva, May 18.—German soldiers
along the Swiss-Alsatian frontier,
chiefly elderly men of the Landsturm
have begun to ask for food from the
Swiss soldiers. The Germans say they
have not eaten meat for weeks.

Five German soldiers in uniform,
although fired upon, escaped across
the Swiss frontier at Rodersdorf, near
Basel, Tuesday. They were interned
at Berne.

The Neue Stuttgarter Zeitung says
the food situation in Rhine towns is
becoming intolerable. The newspaper
advises the Government to take drastic
measures to change the mode of
living of the people. It suggests that
cooking in private families be prohib-
ited, and that the population be order-
ed to eat in common at restaurants,
where meat would be served once
daily at noon and only vegetables in
the evening.

WOULD SETTLE STRIKE

Former Alexandrian Takes Active
Part Towards Bringing About
Understanding.

The second strike on the Washing-
ton and Old Dominion road, which
has crippled service along the Great
Falls and Bluemont lines since last
Friday, may end within the next few
days.

The carmen admitted yesterday that
they made a mistake in declaring the
second strike last Friday while arbi-
tration was in progress. Through
their committee they stated that the
second rupture which halted arbitra-
tion so abruptly and led the American
Federation of Labor and the Amalgam-
ated Association of Street and Elec-
tric Railway Employees of America to
denounce them was all caused by a
misunderstanding between the men
and those whom they had chosen to
represent them as arbitrators.

Previous to making this announce-
ment the men, at a meeting in Koes-
ter's Hall, voted to send a commit-
tee to confer with officials of the com-
pany and of the American Federa-
tion of Labor in an effort to straight-
en out the misunderstanding and have
arbitration resumed. O. P. Angelo,
formerly of Alexandria was made
chairman.

Mr. Angelo said last night that the
men feel that now that they have
admitted their fault, it is up to the
American Federation of Labor to
come half-way and assist the men
in resuming arbitration proceedings
with the company, since it was
thought a misunderstanding with the
federation that the present situation
was brought about.

The committee held a lengthy con-
ference with W. B. Emmert, gen-
eral manager of the company, yesterday
afternoon, but, according to Chairman
Angelo, were unable to induce him to
resume arbitration.

It is understood that Mr. Emmert
took the position that since the men
have been denounced by the Ameri-
can Federation of Labor and the na-
tional association of street railway
men, they were no longer a recognized
organized body.

Mr. Angelo is the only member of
the carmen's committee who is not
a former employee of the company.
He is a member of the Brotherhood
of Locomotive Engineers, it was stat-
ed. Mr. Angelo explained that he
was acting only as an individual,
however, and that the brotherhood
has in no way entered into the situa-
tion.

It is not unlikely that Representa-
tive C. C. Carlin, of Virginia, who
did much to start the arbitration pro-
ceedings after the first strike, will
be called upon to bring the men and
the company together again.

SPECIAL GRAND JURY.

Certain Cases Will Be Brought Be-
fore Tribunal Early Next
Week.

Judge L. C. Barley of the Corpo-
ration Court has directed that a spe-
cial grand jury be summoned for ear-
ly next week for the purpose of con-
sidering the case of Joseph Clark,
charged with murder, and other cases
which may be upon the criminal docket.

FIGHT LIQUOR IN ALABAMA

Military Placed in Control
of Situation at
Girard

MUCH WHISKEY SEIZED

Long Known as a Wide-Open Town
Notwithstanding the Stringent Pro-
hibition Statutes

Columbus Ga., May 18.—The mili-
tary last night took charge of the
situation in Girard, where Special
Agent Baughan, of Atlanta, special
law agent for the Attorney-General
of Alabama, yesterday raided twelve
places and confiscated many thousands
of dollars' worth of liquor held in
violation of the Alabama prohibition
laws. Captain Dallas Smith of Com-
pany I, Second Regiment National
Guard of Alabama, from Opelika, is-
sued an order placing the military in
control at 6:35 o'clock last night.

The Opelika company numbering
twenty seven men arrived at Girard
late yesterday afternoon and began
patrolling the streets. They were
sisted by 105 special deputies from
Montgomery, Mobile, Birmingham,
Girard and Phenix City, Ala. and Col-
umbus and Atlanta, Ga.

Five freight cars were ordered last
night by Special Agent Baughan to
carry the confiscated liquor to some
unnamed destination to-morrow, prob-
ably Opelika, Montgomery or Union
Springs.

Word that Governor Henderson, at
Birmingham, had declared that con-
fiscated liquor could not be removed
from the houses in which it was found
without a court order met the re-
sponse from Baughan that he intend-
ed moving it to-morrow morning un-
less prevented by an injunction or
other court order.

The raids which began at 8 o'clock
yesterday morning after a special
train carrying twenty-two deputies
arrived from Montgomery, will be
resumed tomorrow, and will continue
for a week, according to Baughan.

Girard is a town of 5,000 popu-
lation, and when the crowds that fill-
ed the streets interfered somewhat
with the raiders, the guardsmen were
brought in to assist in keeping order
and guarding the confiscated liquor.
Two other companies at Montgomery
on at Union Springs and another at
Troy, also were ordered ready for
service, according to Baughan.

The raiders arrived at Girard at
5:40 o'clock yesterday morning and
remained in seclusion until 8 o'clock,
when they suddenly swooped down on
the suspected places. Other deputies
arrived during the day. Under the
Alabama law, such raids may be made
only between the hours of 8 A. M.
and 6 P. M. The Mayor yesterday
afternoon appointed several police-
men and ordered them to protect the
property of Girard citizens. Special
Agent Baughan ordered his men to
arrest any one interfering with them.

Three hundred barrels of whiskey
were found and seized in one place
in lower Girard. In a farmhouse five
miles from Girard a stock of liquor
estimated by Baughan to be worth
\$50,000, was seized. Two men guard-
ing the liquor attempted to draw
pistols, but were disarmed by the
deputies. They were released, but
later Baughan ordered their arrest.

Girard has been known as a "wide
open" town despite Alabama's prohibi-
tion laws, which are very stringent.
It is said that many thousands of dol-
lars worth of liquor, some placing
the amount as high as \$500,000, was
carried across the State line when
Georgia's prohibition laws became ef-
fective, May 1.

Following complaints made to
State officials, according to reports,
the officials of Russell County, in
which Girard is located, were notified
that Girard must be "cleaned up."
The officers, it is said, either were
unable or unwilling to do so, and
the Attorney General, who is armed
with wide powers under the prohibi-
tion laws, decided to take a hand.

Harry Rudd, has organized a Boy
Scout Troop of the Sunday School of
the First Baptist Church.